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'Desperate' for gloves, toques

COMMUNITY

Hope Mission low on winter clothing to help homeless



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

We may not be facing blizzards just yet, but Edmonton's relatively mild fall weather feels a lot different for those who are homeless.

Hope Mission is in "desperate" need of gloves and toques for Rescue Van workers to hand out to people living on the streets.

Rescue Van manager Ryan Harding said the lack of donations probably has a lot to do with temperatures hanging around zero.

"It's not on the forefront of people's minds until the harsh weather hits," Harding said. "But even -3 C in the

morning can be difficult to manage as they leave shelters, or some go to temp agencies or go to work. A lot of them are working outside during the day."

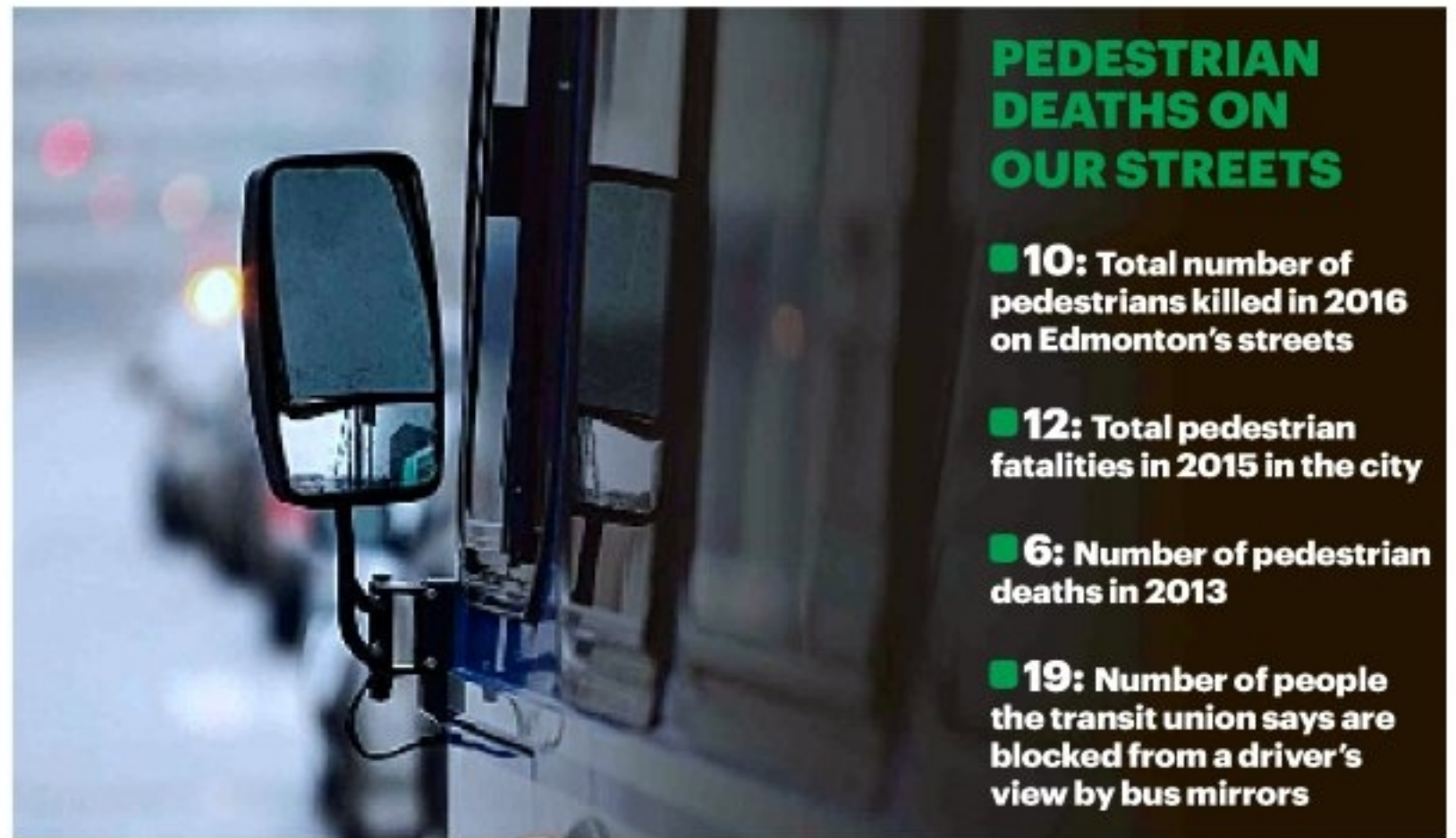
Hope Mission's clientele has spiked since it became Edmonton's first 24/7 homeless shelter earlier this month, which has also increased the need for donations.

The shelter is looking mostly for men's gloves, as men make up about 75 per cent of the people they hand out clothing to — but women's gloves are also being accepted.

Hope Mission's fleet of Rescue Vans responds to EMS and police calls when a person needs to be transported to a shelter. Workers also drive around in the converted ambulances to hand out gloves, toques, blankets and hygiene products.

"It is about overall health," Harding said. "And as we know in Edmonton, this weather won't last and there will be colder days ahead."

Donations can be dropped off 24 hours a day at 9908 106 Ave.



PEDESTRIAN DEATHS ON OUR STREETS

■ **10:** Total number of pedestrians killed in 2016 on Edmonton's streets

■ **12:** Total pedestrian fatalities in 2015 in the city

■ **6:** Number of pedestrian deaths in 2013

■ **19:** Number of people the transit union says are blocked from a driver's view by bus mirrors

THIS NEEDS TO END

Experienced bus driver fatally hits and drags 13-year-old girl in crosswalk **metroNEWS**

Indigenous elder raising funds for return to Standing Rock **metroNEWS**



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Elder will return to Standing Rock

HEALING

Protest finds Taz Bouchier active here and in North Dakota



Ameya Charnalia
For Metro | Edmonton

Taz Bouchier was in Standing Rock earlier this month and ran healing ceremonies for protesters, both indigenous and non-indigenous, that often ended in tears.

"To be there in their time of need, I was overwhelmed initially with the amount of trauma that I was able to witness in the various people," said Bouchier, an indigenous elder who was a social worker for several years in Edmonton.

"It was a quiet atmosphere but you could sense this low filtering of tension, wondering what was going to happen next."

Bouchier is now raising money to go back to Standing Rock, and says her work there is more important than ever.



Indigenous elder Taz Bouchier hopes to go back to Standing Rock, N.D., for a second time to provide trauma healing to protesters who were forcibly displaced by law enforcement.
AMEYA CHARNALIA/
FOR METRO

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe invited Bouchier earlier this month to provide trauma counselling for the young people protesting the Dakota Access Pipeline that the North Dakota police have forcibly dispersed.

Protests against the pipeline started this spring, with the Sioux nation arguing a pipeline rupture could contaminate the Missouri river, the main water source for the community, and that its construction would interfere with several sacred burial sites.

But Bouchier says providing trauma support is more urgent now, given the recent footage showing police spraying protesters with water cannons in sub-zero temperatures that has circulated online.

And she's not the only member of the local community taking notice. Last week Chief Tony Alexis, of the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation in Alberta, condemned the response from North Dakota law enforcement.

"I am deeply disturbed with

the mistreatment of our indigenous brothers and sisters who have the right and freedom for peaceful assembly," he said.

Bouchier says there are lessons for Canada from this protest, especially as we again contemplate building pipelines through indigenous land.

"I think that people need to understand that we do have inherent rights and legal rights here in Canada and the (United) States, and that those rights are protected by the constitution."

CONTROVERSY

Trial revives natural medicine debate

Experts say the trial of a woman who turned to holistic medicine before the death of her seven-year-old son is likely to reignite a debate over the use of natural and alternative treatments.

Tamara Lovett, 47, is charged with failing to provide the necessities of life and with criminal negligence causing the death of Ryan Alexander Lovett.

Ryan died in March 2013 after getting a strep infection that kept him bedridden for 10 days. An autopsy revealed the boy died as a result of a Group A streptococcus infection.

Police say the Calgary woman called for help early in the morning on March 2, 2013, fearing her son was suffering a seizure. He was pronounced dead in hospital.

They alleged Lovett chose to treat the bacterial infection with homeopathic herbal remedies instead of taking her son to a doctor.

"In the short term, these cases may polarize the debate and lead to a further entrenchment for the true believers," said Tim Caulfield, research director of the University of Alberta's Health Law and Science Policy Group.

"However, over the long term,

I am hopeful they will help the broader public debate."

Police say there's no record of the boy ever being taken to a doctor for annual checkups or any treatment.

Investigators say the woman's friends were worried about the child's health and urged her to take him to a physician.

"The cases are a very dramatic and sad statement that we should

not put personal beliefs about pseudo-science over the interests and welfare of children," said Caulfield.

It's not the first time in 2016 the issue of natural medicine and the death of a child have been in court. In April,

David and Collet Stephan were found guilty by a jury in Lethbridge, Alta., of failing to provide the necessities of life for their 19-month-old son Ezekiel.

The couple treated Ezekiel with smoothies containing hot peppers, onions and horseradish when he became ill. He died of bacterial meningitis in hospital. A number of people, including a nurse who was a family friend, recommended the parents take Ezekiel to a doctor.

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"We should not put personal beliefs about pseudo-science over the interests and welfare of children"

Tim Caulfield

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Review ordered after child killed

TRANSIT AUTHORITIES

Second death involving a bus in two months sparks concern

The city is launching a "full operational review" to prevent further accidents following the death of a 13-year-old girl who was hit and then dragged by the bus an Edmonton Transit driver was controlling on Saturday.

The death is the second in as many months to see an Edmonton Transit driver fatally strike a pedestrian with their bus in a marked crosswalk, and it is Edmonton's 10th pedestrian fatality in 2016.

The city said its staff will continue to work with police on the investigation into the girl's death. It said the city will also launch a full operational review to reduce the risk of another tragedy.

"On behalf of the City of Edmonton, we offer our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of the young pedestrian involved in a fatal collision



The mirror of an ETS bus, which the Amalgamated Transit Union International says may be badly manufactured and may result in drivers not seeing pedestrians as the bus is turning. METRO

last night," Linda Cochrane, city manager, and Doug Jones, deputy city manager of city operations, said in a news release on Sunday.

"This is a tragic event for everyone. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them."

In early October, a woman in her 80s was struck and killed by an Edmonton bus driver at the wheel of a bus as she walked in a crosswalk.

A union representing bus drivers said that woman's death may have been due to

a blind spot in the vehicle.

The Amalgamated Transit Union International said manufacturers' poorly chosen mirrors and side windows can result in drivers not seeing pedestrians as the bus is turning.

The driver in that incident

has since been charged.

Police say they have not charged the driver at the wheel in the latest collision.

They did say the 13-year-old girl died after being struck in a crosswalk — and that the driver then kept driving.



On behalf of the City of Edmonton, we offer our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of the young pedestrian.

Excerpt from City of Edmonton's news release

Police say the girl was crossing the street at an intersection in the city's northwest on Saturday evening when the bus driver made a left turn across the crosswalk.

They say she was dragged a short distance, and the bus driver didn't stop. Police say they don't think the bus driver was aware of the collision.

They say they're still investigating the death, but speed and alcohol aren't believed to have been factors.

The union says one person is hit by a bus every 10 days in North America. METRO/ WITH FILES FROM THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Canada

Bar scene's safety praised

LIQUOR

Improvements 'night and day', commission's president says



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

A former police officer who now runs the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission says Edmonton's bar scene is significantly safer than it was a decade ago.

The Commission's president and CEO, Bill Robinson, attributes the change to programs like Best Bar None, which accredited 79 local bars, clubs, pubs and restaurants last week and honoured 10 with awards for safety and responsible service.

"Certainly the success in it has been the public know-

ledge and the visibility that the program's gotten to start the conversation about safety in drinking establishments," Robinson said.

Best Bar None accredits drinking establishments that go through a "rigorous examination process" and create policy around safety, from fire exits to not over-serving, to proper broken glass cleanup.

Venues have to re-apply for accreditation each year to ensure their policies stay up to date.

Several other programs have cropped up under the Best Bar None umbrella, including the

DrinkSense campaign aimed at educating drinkers on complex issues around alcohol safety.

"This is a really groundbreaking program," Robinson said. "I was a police officer for just about 35 years and I've spent many, many evenings across the province in bars and lounges before these programs came along.

This is a really groundbreaking program.

Bill Robinson



Edmonton bars were honoured last week for safety and responsible service. METRO FILE

And the professionalism and the real streamlining of operations and how we do business in bars, hotels and lounges

under this program is night and day."

This year's local Best Bar None winners include Teddy's

Palace (in the Restaurant and Bar - Independent category), Kelly's Pub (Small Pub) and eight others.

BASEBALL

Team changes its name

A men's baseball team in central Alberta is changing its name from Indians to Trappers after years of online pressure and accusations of racism.

Team manager Desmond Bouteiller, who played for the Innisfail Indians, says he and his teammates used to wear their uniforms with pride, feeling they were honouring a group of people, not slandering them.

But Bouteiller says that his thoughts on the matter were later challenged.

He says in a blog post that the most memorable incident was when the Senior AA team stopped for lunch in Lloydminster and ended up playing in a road hockey tournament with teams of indigenous descent.

Bouteiller says he and his teammates paused when asked what their team name was.

He says there was pressure every year on Facebook to change the name, so the team's management decided that in 2017, the team would play as the Trappers.

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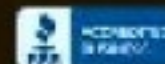
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TECHNOLOGY

Disposal app offers unusual advice



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

Ever pined for an easier way to dispose of a dead moose, your ex-boyfriend or a certain unpopular politician whose name rhymes with chump?

City staff say they're happy residents have embraced WasteWise, their new waste disposal app (it's currently at more than 4,500 downloads and counting — but they'd like you to know they there are limits to their disposal capabilities.

So no, they won't get rid of your ex-boyfriend.

The city launched WasteWise last month, allowing users to search a list of hundreds of items for information about how to dispose of each of them.

But users can also suggest other items not on the list that they need help getting rid of. That's where the weirdness is coming through.

Erika Droessler, education programs supervisor for Edmonton's utility services and the person responsible for wading through those suggestions, says there's a fair

amount of oddity there.

"There have been some people suggesting some slightly silly items right from the beginning," she said.

"But I'm glad people are having fun with it."

Some of the stranger suggestions that aren't jokes are instead things people are genuinely at a loss over how to throw out: a smoke detector, silly string, a 10-pin bowling ball and mysteriously, "a sealed, unclean, unempty plastic bottle."

"It just goes to show that Edmontonians just really want to do the right thing with them," Droessler said.

She also tracks how many times each item is searched, which has shed some light on the items people are most confused about.

Currently in the lead is "pizza box," which has been searched for almost 1,000 times (just take out the liner and it's completely recyclable, Droessler advises) followed by shredded paper and polystyrene.

Overall Droessler said she's just "thrilled" that people are using it, pointing out that there have been almost 35,000 item views.

REACTION TO FREEZEWAY DEBATE

Mayor looking at how city works with public on ideas

Mayor Don Iveson is calling for a group rethink after the designer of the Freezeway accused the city of stealing his idea.

In a message on his Facebook page, Iveson said he will ask administration to look into how the city works

with the public on new ideas.

Earlier this week designer Matt Gibbs, whose Freezeway design garnered headlines around the world, told Metro that he felt like the city "exploited" him for his designs, after it announced it was going ahead with a skating path concept without him. ALEX BOYD/METRO



Ilan O'Donnell is taking over as executive director of the Downtown Business Association. KEVIN MAIMANN/METRO EDMONTON

Changing of the guard at business association

DEVELOPMENT

Ilan O'Donnell wants to give city core 'an inviting face'



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

The Downtown Business Association's new executive director was not the first person who thought he should apply for the job.

Ilan O'Donnell, who will take the reins on Dec. 8, said he

looked into the position after prodding from friends.

"When it came up that Jim (Taylor) was retiring I immediately had a bunch of people e-mail and call me and say, 'You need to apply,'" O'Donnell said.

"The more I looked into it, it just really aligned with what I do already in terms of my volunteerism and board commitments. So it was sort of the next logical transition."

O'Donnell is a project manager for Edmonton architecture

firm Manasc Isaac and volunteers with the Downtown Edmonton Community League as well as other boards and committees.

He takes over the business association from Jim Taylor, who is retiring after 15 years.

O'Donnell says he will focus on giving downtown an inviting face — that means keeping it clean and well lit, building off the momentum of Rogers Place and new shops in the area, and nurturing a strong arts and

cultural district.

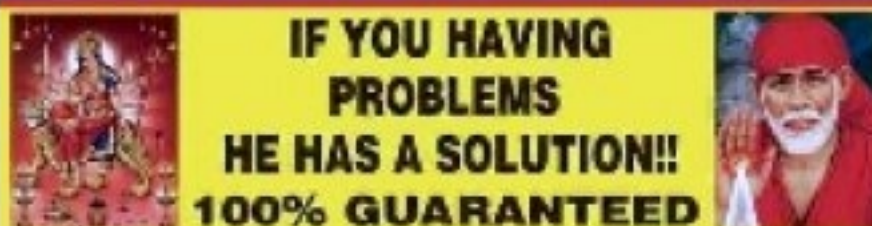
He wants to make people aware that today's downtown is not the downtown of 15 years ago.

"We're in a bit of an implementation phase for the arena and other pieces of the LRT that's coming in, so just making sure that we integrate all of these great projects together and really use them as a cohesive piece to make downtown attractive, inviting and inclusive," O'Donnell said.

He plans to start his tenure by door-knocking to meet members of the association and learn how he can get more involved in their business.

“It just really aligned with what I do already.”
Ilan O'Donnell

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You do have the right to appeal the Order within 30 days from the date the Order is made.

Contact: Jackie Ellice; Leanne Baines; Daniella Eggink
Calgary Region, Child and Family Services
Phone: (403) 297-2978

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Regulations make process difficult for Chapman's

A Canadian ice cream company based in a small Ontario town is trying to keep the single school in its community open amid dozens of proposed closures provincially — but some are cautioning against private intervention in public schools.

Schools like the Beavercrest Community elementary school in Markdale, Ont. — about 150 kilometres north of Toronto — are slated for closure across Ontario as school boards grapple with declining enrolment and less funding.

"It really means a lot to our community to have an elementary school," said Chapman's Ice Cream vice-president Ash-

ley Chapman, who attended Beavercrest when he was a kid. "It's about the students in Beavercrest: all 200 of them being shuffled up and sent to the other schools in the area."

Chapman noted that about 25 per cent of students at the elementary school are his employees' children.

One of those students is Aidan Shropshire, in Grade 2, whose father works for Chapman's.

Shannon Shropshire said her son is loving and bright — gets straight As and Bs — and is into electronics. But he also has autism, and Shropshire said she's worried her son may not be able to adapt to the changes that would come with a closure of Beavercrest.

"He'll have to go to a new town where nobody knows him," she said. "He's already having anxiety about the school closing. This is a child who doesn't like any kind of change." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Aidan Shropshire, 7, sister Kendra, 2, and parents Shannon and Matt at Beavercrest school. WILLY WATERTON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

CHILD CARE

Higher pay attracts better babysitters

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At age 10, Jessica Taylor took a babysitting course and started watching neighbourhood kids for \$5 or \$6 an hour.

That was then. Now the 29-year-old University of Toronto student is helping to put herself through school by babysitting 15 hours a week at \$15 an hour.

That's about \$900 a month. Casual babysitting sessions in private homes were once considered an odd job, like lawn mowing. Now, especially in expensive cities such as Toronto, caregivers are increasingly professional and well-paid.

Dozens of babysitters across Toronto that Metro surveyed on social media said they command anywhere from \$12 an hour up to \$20, with additional qualifications such as first-aid and CPR training or an early-childhood education diploma (Taylor has neither).

It's hard to name another job that has seen that kind of wage growth in the past 20 years.

Taylor manages her work



Toronto student Jessica Taylor works as a babysitter and makes \$15 an hour. EDUARDO LIMA/METRO

schedule using DateNight, one of several Uber-like apps that match babysitters with families in exchange for a small cut of their fees. She gets far more requests than she can handle.

"Expectations are high in general when you're paying somebody to take care of your children," Taylor said, adding that she regularly picks children up from school, plans activities and crafts, and always makes sure parents come home to a tidy house.

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Thousands flee oncoming assault

ALEPPO

Syrian, Kurdish forces advance on divided town

Simultaneous advances by Syrian government and Kurdish-led forces into eastern Aleppo on Sunday set off a tide of displacement inside the divided city, with thousands of residents evacuating their premises, and threatened to cleave the opposition's enclave.

Rebel defences collapsed as government forces pushed into the city's Sakhour neighbourhood, coming within one kilometre (0.6 miles) of commanding a corridor in eastern Aleppo for the first time since rebels swept into the city in 2012, according to Syrian state media and the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights monitoring group.

Kurdish-led forces operating autonomously of the rebels and the government meanwhile seized the Bustan



Displaced families arrive at a makeshift camp in the government-held district of Jibrein in Aleppo. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

al-Basha neighbourhood, allowing thousands of civilians to flee the decimated district to the predominantly Kurdish Sheikh Maqsoud, in the city's north, according to Ahmad Hiso Araj, an official with the Syrian Democratic Forces.

The government's push, backed by thousands of Shiite militia fighters from Lebanon, Iraq, and Iran, and under the occasional cover of the Russian air force, has laid waste to Alep-

po's eastern neighbourhoods.

An estimated quarter-million people are trapped in wretched conditions in the city's rebel-held eastern districts since the government sealed its siege of the enclave in late August. Food supplies are running perilously low, the UN warned Thursday, and a relentless air assault by government forces has damaged or destroyed every hospital in the area.

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NEW DELHI ROCKING THE RAINBOW ROAD Indian members and supporters of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) community take part in a pride parade in New Delhi on Sunday. Hundreds of members of the LGBT community marched through the Indian capital for the ninth annual Delhi Queer Pride Parade. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

NEW ORLEANS

10 shot, one dead in busting French Quarter

Police had already increased patrols in New Orleans' French Quarter before gunfire erupted Sunday, leaving one man dead and nine others wounded.

Police said none of the victims was an intended

target after two men began arguing and shooting, with investigators continuing the search Sunday for suspects.

"We will find them. And we will go to the ends of the earth to make sure that we bring them to justice," Mayor Mitch Landrieu said.

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U.S. ELECTION

Trump blasts recount efforts

In a reprise of campaign-season rancour, Donald Trump and his lieutenants are assailing an effort — now joined by Hillary Clinton — to recount votes in up to three battleground states, calling the push fraudulent, the work of "crybabies" and, in the president-elect's estima-

tion, "sad."

Trump on Sunday tweeted part of Clinton's concession speech, when she told supporters they must accept that "Donald Trump is going to be our president," and snippets from her debate remarks, when she denounced the Republican

nominee for refusing to say in advance that he would accept the Election Day verdict.

This came on top of his saying it was a "scam" that Green Party nominee Jill Stein was revisiting the vote count in Wisconsin, Michigan and Pennsylvania. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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A new day dawns in Cuba

CARIBBEAN

Death of Fidel Castro, 90, elicits grief, hope, doubts

His words and image had filled schoolbooks, airwaves and newspapers since before many of them were born. Now Cubans must face life without Fidel Castro, the leader who guided their island to both greater social equality and years of economic ruin.

Across a hushed capital, people wept in the streets on Saturday as news of the 90-year-old revolutionary's death spread. While many mourned, others privately expressed hope that Castro's passing will allow Cuba to move faster toward a more open, prosperous future under his younger brother, President Raul Castro.

In his twilight years Fidel Castro largely refrained from offering his opinions publicly on domestic issues, lending tacit backing to his brother's free-market reforms. But the

older Castro surged back onto the public stage twice this year — critiquing President Barack Obama's historic March visit to Cuba and proclaiming in April that communism was “a great step forward in the fight against colonialism and its inseparable companion, imperialism.”



We're not celebrating that someone died, but that this is finished.

Erick Martinez

Ailing and without any overt political power, the 90-year-old revolutionary icon became for some a symbol of resistance to his younger sibling's diplomatic and economic openings. For many other Cubans, however, Fidel Castro was fading into history, increasingly at a remove from the passions that long cast him as either messianic saviour or maniacal strongman.

On Saturday, many Cubans on the island described Fidel Castro as a towering figure who brought

Cuba free health care, education and true independence from the United States, while saddling the country with an ossified political and economic system that has left streets and buildings crumbling and young, educated elites fleeing in search of greater prosperity abroad.

“Fidel was a father for everyone in my generation,” said Jorge Luis Hernandez, a 45-year-old electrician. “I hope that we keep moving forward because we are truly a great, strong, intelligent people.”

For Cubans off the island, Castro's death was cause for celebration. In Miami, the heart of the Cuban diaspora, thousands of people banged pots with spoons, waved Cuban and U.S. flags in the air and whooped in jubilation.

“We're not celebrating that someone died, but that this is finished,” said 30-year-old Erick Martinez, who emigrated from Cuba four years ago.

The Cuban government declared nine days of mourning for Castro, whose ashes will be carried across the island from Havana to Santiago in a procession retracing his victorious sweep to Havana. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A mural featuring American author Ernest Hemingway, left, shaking hands with Fidel Castro, right, in a parking lot in Havana, Cuba, on Sunday. Castro, who led a rebel army to improbable victory, embraced Soviet-style communism and defied the power of 10 U.S. presidents during his half century rule of Cuba, died at age 90. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

REACTION

Trudeau: Castro was a dictator

Justin Trudeau has come under harsh criticism at home for a statement he issued shortly after learning that Fidel Castro had died.

The statement, made in Africa on a trip with a human rights message, praised the legacy of the former Cuban president.

“He certainly was a polarizing figure and there certainly were significant concerns around human rights,” Trudeau said on Sunday. Asked directly whether he thought Castro was a dictator, Trudeau said: “Yes.”

The Liberal prime minister is facing criticism at home and abroad for a statement he issued shortly after learning that Castro had died at the age of 90.

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Japan trying to save pact

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Rebuffs bid by Canada to revive bilateral trade talks

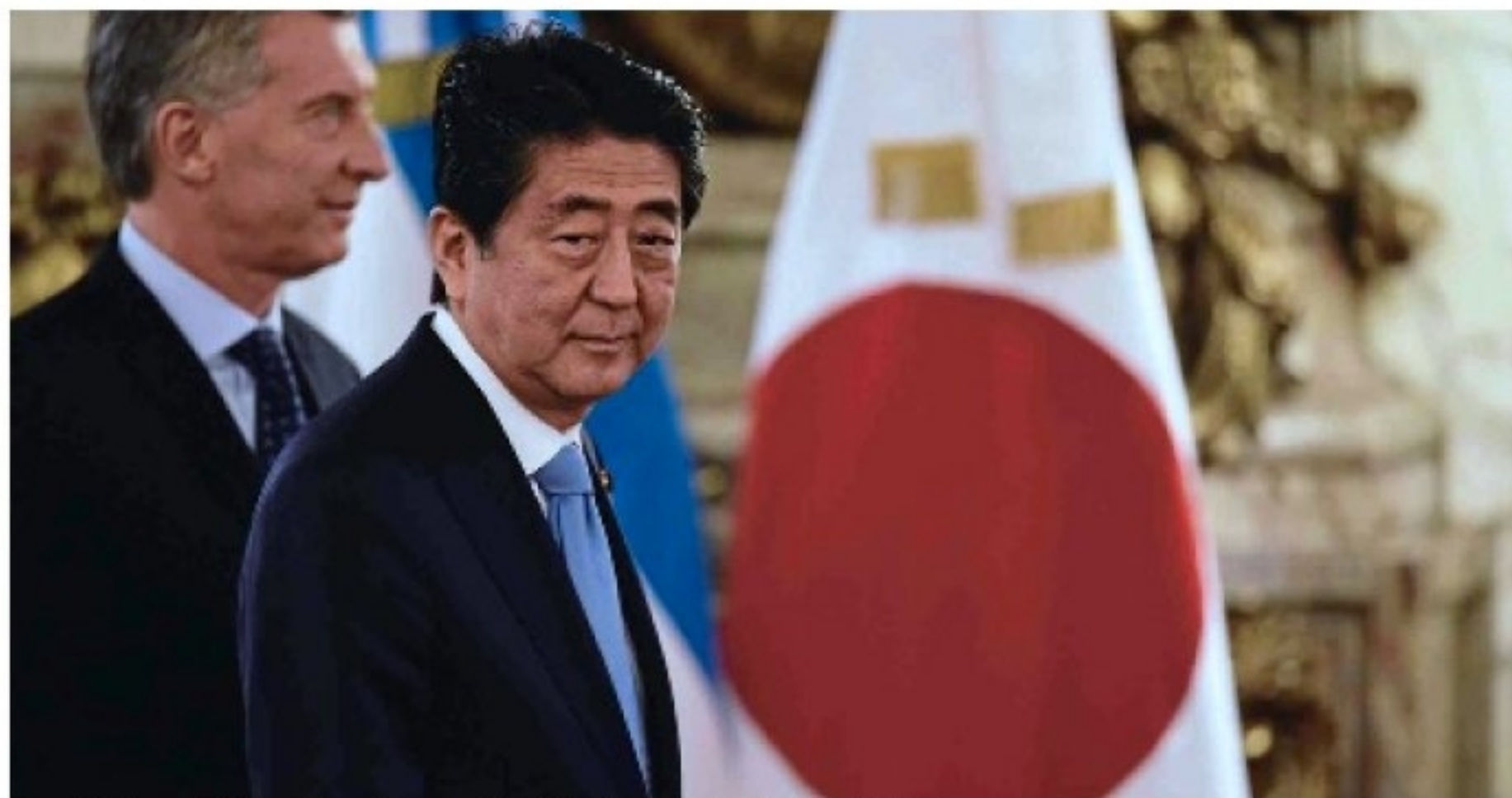
Japan wants Canada to join the fight against rising American protectionism, but that doesn't extend to reviving its own direct trade talks with Canada, the Japanese ambassador has said.

Envoy Kenjiro Monji said Japan is still determined to save the 12-country Trans-Pacific Partnership, despite president-elect Donald Trump's vow to take the United States out of it. Japan hopes that Trump can still be persuaded to back off from his opposition to TPP before his Jan. 20 inauguration.

Japan and Canada hoped to deepen their economic ties through their joint membership in the massive Pacific Rim trade deal that would have brought together 40 per cent of the world's economy.

Canada has for years set its sights on increasing trade with Japan, the world's third-largest economy, but the two countries set aside work on a bilateral trade agreement in 2014 as the TPP talks progressed.

But Trump's declaration this last week that he will begin the U.S. withdrawal from the TPP on Day 1 of his presidency ap-



Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe says the TPP is "meaningless" without the U.S. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

pears to have killed the pact, because the U.S. accounts for more than half of the GDP of its 12 members.

TPP's rules dictate that the deal can't go ahead unless it has the backing of countries making up 85 per cent of the pact's GDP — simple arithmetic that effectively gives the U.S. and Japan the power to kill it.

Despite that, Monji said the agreement is not officially dead and, until it is, reviv-

“It's not the right timing to talk about bilaterals.”

Kenjiro Monji

ing talks in the Canada-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement could send the wrong signal to Trump.

“We are not forgetting the bilateral Economic Partnership Agreement,” Monji said in an interview. “It's not the right timing to talk about bilaterals.”

Canada and Japan held seven rounds of two-way trade talks between 2012 and 2014. Leaked government documents obtained by The Canadian Press showed that Japan rebuffed Canadian requests for an eighth round in 2015.

Prime Minister Shinzo Abe

has said the TPP is “meaningless” without the U.S. However, the Japanese leader has spent much domestic political capital to win support for the deal, so any outright abandonment of the deal would be a major setback for him.

Chrystia Freeland, Canada's international trade minister, has said there's no way the TPP can come into force without the U.S.

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INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

Top court to hear two cases

Experts say two cases coming before the Supreme Court this week could become landmarks in defining how Canada regulates industrial activity on indigenous lands.

But for Jerry Natanine of Clyde River, Nunavut — one of two indigenous communities that will ask the top court to overturn National Energy Board permits — the issue is a lot more visceral. “The animals that we live off are in danger and, because of that, we feel our lives are at stake.”

Clyde River is to ask the court Wednesday to overturn a permit for a Norwegian consortium to do seismic testing in Baffin Bay. Locals say that would kill or drive away the animals they depend on, a position widely shared across Nunavut.

The Chippewas of the Thames have similar concerns in a case that is to be heard together with Clyde River's. They want the court to overturn a permit given to Enbridge to reverse and expand the flow of the Line 9 pipeline.

In both cases, Ottawa argues the board was qualified to stand in for the Crown and indigenous groups had plenty of opportunity to get information and express their concerns. In a verdict the two suits are seeking to overturn, the Federal Court of Appeal sided with the government. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Signed,

Hard-Working Guy

Dear Hard-Working guy,
I can tell you with 100 per cent assurance that the "best way to ask" is politely. And I can dole out politeness advice that is easy to give and easy to follow:

- 1 Do your boss the courtesy of making an appointment ahead of time instead of carrying out an ambush, which will backfire in any case.
- 2 Show up on time ready to present your case —and looking suitably presentable.
- 3 Come prepared: Figure out exactly what you want, and why you deserve it. Note that whining about unfairness, or what the other guy made, is not relevant. What's relevant is what you do for the company now, and how valuable your contribution is, in detail.
- 4 Jot those details down

You owe it to yourself, to your co-workers and even to your horrible boss to be open about your situation.

in case you lose your nerve, or your voice, or your mind,

- 5 in the meeting.
- 6 Listen politely to whatever your boss has to say to you about your request.
- 6 Regardless of whether you get the raise or not, say thank you and leave.

Now that we've covered the etiquette, let's get to your real question, which is: *How do I get this cheap b— to pay me what I deserve?*

Alas, I'm afraid the answer is pretty much the same. Unless you're prepared to quit, your only



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other choice is breaking the law: e.g. getting some dirt on the boss and resorting to blackmail; threatening physical violence; making fraudulent claims to increase your perceived worth.

I advise against any of these approaches, not only because they're terribly impolite, but because none of them will help you in the long run. If you get caught, your career and earning power will be over for good. And even if you don't get caught, all that lying and cheating will rot your soul

and make you sick and unhappy.

If your boss is as horrible as it sounds, I doubt you'll succeed in your request. But it's important to speak up anyway. You owe it to yourself, to your co-workers and even to your horrible boss to be open about your situation.

Every bit of truth that is uttered takes on a life of its own, and change can't happen without it.

Need advice?
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VICKY MOCHAMA

Canada's sneaky-great football culture wins an NFL fan's hard heart

The consensus was that Toronto is not a great home for the Grey Cup.

On a huge weekend for Canadian football fans, you would have been hard pressed to find a Torontonian who knew the Grey Cup was even happening. A friend that couldn't believe the size of the crowds in the city wondered aloud whether the Cavalcade of Lights, the city's tree-lighting event at Nathan Phillips Square, might have been the draw.

Such is the life of a football fan in Canada's biggest cities.

I went to the Grey Cup yesterday at BMO field, on Toronto's exhibition grounds, to experience life with other football fans. Normally, I'm at a local bar where half the crowd is there for the games and the other appear to be on dates. It's not an immersive experience. I hear rumours of places where football is at the centre of social life. Saskatchewan Roughriders fans, I'm told are legendary in their ardour and volume.

At BMO field, the passion and commitment of Canada's football fans was evident. The fans were prepared. Those who had experience this before knew, for instance, that layers are essential. I've never witnessed so many grown-ups wearing long johns in this city.

Another phenomenon that I'd never seen in adults who are older than me was outright debauchery. Now, I've been on a wine tour in my life so I've seen middle-aged people party hard. But until

yesterday I'd never seen a fifty-plus woman drink three drinks at once.

Nonetheless, it's an incredibly friendly environment and it's a truly national league. (Despite that, it is not a friendly atmosphere for the prime minister, whose taped message unified much of the crowd in booing.)

I spoke to fans from every place that has a CFL team. For many, the Grey Cup is a multi-decade experience. I met a gentleman — a Stampeders fan — who had been to every single Grey Cup game since 1984. The Tiger-cats fan beside me had been to every one for a decade. The foursome of friends in front of us had been to 16 Grey Cups together.

Still, sometimes I had to wonder what the CFL is thinking with some choices. For example, why was Shemar Moore there? Do we not have our own handsome B-list celebrities? Was Hayden Christiansen not available?

CFL fandemonium was new for me, but for so many it's a legacy experience: it marks friendships, marriages, and a love affair with an underestimated sport.

I'm an NFL fan and as such am required to look down on the CFL. But it has something to it. Sure the play is slower and the rules are different, but it has over a hundred years of history and culture.

It's a tradition I was happy to join in: a friendly atmosphere of sport and camaraderie but with OneRepublic playing at half time.

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For those who are looking for good deals or who don't want to drag heavy shopping bags around, or perhaps who just don't want to go out, Cyber Monday is the kind of shopping that fits.

According to an Adobe Digital Insights estimate, Cyber Monday sales will hit \$3.36 billion.

"It's clear that consumers have become more comfortable spending money online," said Tamara Gaffney, principal analyst at ADI, in a press release. "The convenience of not having to go into stores and deal with the stress and strain that take place during the holidays looks like one of the primary drivers for online sales growth this holiday season."

Cyber Monday is no longer a shopping event where people sneak in an item or two into their virtual shopping carts in between work, according to ADI.

"Customers are becoming more comfortable with browsing from a mobile device," Gaffney said.



On social media the reaction to Cyber Monday is mixed. Some people can't seem to wait for virtual doors to open, while others don't find the deals inspiring, or are simply broke after Black Friday. ISTOCK

But gaps remain. Desktop conversion rates are still 2.7 times higher than mobile, according to ADI. Some 30 per cent of online shopping carts result in an order when the prospective purchaser is accessing the site on a desktop, and just 19 per cent result in an order on smartphones,

the ADI study found.

Deals can be interesting:

A Phantom 3 Advanced Drone with a built-in HD camera and 3 Axis Gimbal is \$800, with a savings of \$280 on Best Buy. Other drones on Best Buy range between \$250 to \$2,000.

From watches to telescopes

and suitcases to sofa beds, Best Buy has an array of products and prices for Cyber Monday.

Amazon Canada has some deals on drones. Prices here range from \$550 to \$1,350.

From televisions to toothbrushes, and backpacks to bathroom accessories, the online

giant has a huge offering for Cyber Monday.

It seems as if Staples Canada is not just for office supplies. It has some interesting deals on a variety of things from bathroom tissue to cookware sets, hair straighteners and Fitbits to . . . drones, of course. (They're

all the rage.)

On social media, the reaction to Cyber Monday is mixed: Some people can't seem to wait until the virtual doors open; others don't find the deals very inspiring, and some bemoan that their wallets are empty after . . . Black Friday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Gail Vaz-Oxlade
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People find it challenging to plan for the holiday season without blowing their budgets or their minds.

If you didn't create a savings plan at the beginning of the year to accumulate the money you'd need for this holiday shopping season, you may find it a test to really do the holidays justice without making a mess of your budget. Time to get creative:

1 Make a list and check it twice. Who doesn't need to be on there? To whom can you give a token gift to celebrate the season? How can you make your gift list fit within your budget?

Secret Santa works at work, why not also among a brood of siblings? Once you have a list, jot down your gift ideas for each person on your list.

2 Give of yourself. The very best gifts don't have to cost a lot. Offer your time for babysitting, cooking meals, house cleaning, massaging, sewing, knitting, transporting, or whatever else you're good at.

Clip a picture of the service you'll provide and be clear on how often, as in "I'll babysit one weekend a month from February to June."

Or better yet, make your own coupon book.

3 Don't hungry-shop. If you're going to be out shopping for a while, pack a healthy snack and some water. Hunger and thirst have a way of muddling your thinking. Keep your energy up so your brain (and self control) can work properly.

4 Don't open up all the new store credit card accounts you're offered. It's super-tempting to get 10 per cent or 20 per cent off

your purchase for the day. But think for a minute: stores must be making crap-loads of money on interest and fees to offer you that "special deal."

If you're the sucker who ends up carrying a balance, you'll spend far more in interest than you saved on purchases. Plus, opening and closing store cards can mess with your credit score.

5 Don't self-gift while shopping. Don't be one of the 70 per cent of shoppers using the one-for-you-one-for-me approach. Show some self-control!

6 Use gift cards carefully. Gift cards are all the rage. Can't think of what to get? A gift card will do nicely. Can't be bothered with the shopping mayhem? Gift card! Forgot to pick something up for Cousin Alice? Gift... well, you get my drift. Did you know that tons of gift cards go unredeemed every year?

If you must buy a gift card, make sure you choose a reputable retailer, since you're translating real money into retail dollars you can only spend in one place.

7 Shop with cash. Psychologists (and banks) know that shopping with plastic makes you vulnerable to spending more than you planned. Put the money you plan to spend in an envelope and attach your list.

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Supplementing income with Airbnb

HOMEOWNERS

Keep in mind extra costs, insurance, tax implications

Dara Choubak and June Cormack wanted a little help with the mortgage payments on their five-bedroom home in Nelson, B.C.

But rather than take on a full-time roommate, the couple opted to list their guest bedroom on the short-term rental site Airbnb.

"It's nice to be able to have a little bit of an extra income to help us with the mortgage, but not have to commit to having somebody in our space for a long period of time," says Cormack.

Aaron Zifkin, Airbnb's Country Manager for Canada, says the site is popular among tech-savvy millennials looking for extra cash to pay for school.

Recently, it's also seen huge growth in the 55-and-over demographic, particularly among retirees looking to supplement their fixed incomes, he adds.

"It's a great way for people to monetize their most valuable asset, which tends to be their home," Zifkin says.

Experts say there are a number of things that potential hosts should consider from a financial perspective before listing their homes on the vacation rental site.

Budget for extra costs

Be mindful of the costs associated with being a host, which can include everything from toiletries to cleaning fees to additional furniture.



Millennials looking for extra cash to pay for school, as well as retirees on a fixed income, look to short-term rental site Airbnb to earn extra money. ISTOCK

When Choubak and Cormack decided to list their home, they paid a small fee to obtain a business licence from the City of Nelson.

They also had to buy two extra fire extinguishers to make sure their home was up to fire code.

Talk to your insurance company

While the vast majority of Airbnb rentals are incident-free, there is always some risk involved when you allow strangers into your home.

One couple in Calgary learned that lesson the hard way when

their house was trashed last year during what police reportedly described as a "drug-induced orgy."

Airbnb's host guarantee reimburses hosts for damages of up to \$1 million, but the company's website says the guarantee shouldn't be treated as a stand-in for renters or homeowners insurance.

That's because some things — such as damage to common or shared areas — are not covered.

"We encourage everybody to check with their insurance providers," Zifkin says.

There may be tax

implications

Any money generated through rentals must be reported as income to Canada Revenue Agency says Caroline Battista, a senior tax analyst at H&R Block.

"If you're making money through a sharing app, you pay tax on that income," she says.

"But much like other rental incomes, you do have the right to claim expenses against it. So it's really about tracking your income and tracking your expenses so that you know what to claim."

Airbnb hosts who earn over

\$30,000 a year will also have to collect either HST or GST, depending on which province they live in, on the government's behalf, Battista says.

Consider automation to lighten the workload

There are a number of property management companies that can run your Airbnb listing for you if you're tight on time, says Glenn Carter, founder of Canadian sharing economy blog The Casual Capitalist.

Although these companies will take a cut of the profits, in some cases hosts could end up

earning more money overall, Carter says.

Property managers that specialize in Airbnb hosting typically use what's called dynamic pricing to ensure that your home is priced appropriately to maximize your profits, he says.

"It frees up your time to do other things, and these companies know the market really well," says Carter.

"I've heard some people say that even after the fee they pay to the property manager, that they increased their profits ... but that's on a case-by-case basis."

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WHY I LIKE MY JOB

Pan Dong, 31, Paralegal Candidate in Toronto, Ont.

Before moving to Canada, I was a licensed lawyer in Beijing, China. As a newcomer, I had to go through Ontario's education system to work in the legal sector. I applied to Humber College's paralegal education program (which also involved an English-language assessment) and two years later I successfully graduated. The program offered valuable courses in legal writing, research and business law.

Additionally, I participated in a four-week internship, which allowed me to build a strong network of referrals that helped lead me to a full-time job with a tribunal in Toronto. Tribunals are basically government agencies that handle small claims in specialized areas, such as workplace injuries or landlord and tenant disputes. However, I can't work as a licensed paralegal until I write (and pass) the national exam administered by the Law Society of Upper Canada. My goal is to write the exam in February 2017.

I'm currently responsible for a lot of administrative work, but I'm excited about the prospect of progressing with a large government entity. I enjoy working with a diverse range of people, and I'm looking forward to having the opportunity to handle a case or represent a client in court.

HOW TO START

In Ontario, paralegals must be licensed by the Law Society of Upper Canada to legally serve as officers of the court. Ontarians have the benefit of representing clients in matters related to immigration, labour law, small claims and some instances of crime. Paralegals aren't regulated in other provinces, but are less independent as they typically work under the supervision of Barrister Solicitors. Many colleges offer reputable paralegal programs, where students will gain a strong understanding of court and tribunal procedures.

WHERE YOU CAN GO

Canada's legislation is constantly evolving, placing a larger burden on legal professionals. As the demand for legal advisement rises, more lawyers are relying on paralegals and legal assistants to take on additional responsibilities in law firms, administrative tribunals (such as the Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal) and various government offices. New graduates can expect to draft legal documents, conduct legal research and communicate directly with clients when needed.

NEXT CAREER STEP

As a paralegal becomes more established and develops a promising client base, he or she may opt to launch an independent practice. Others may decide to explore non-traditional markets, including marketing agencies, financial institutions and legal aid clinics. Teaching law in a post-secondary environment is also a viable career option. And of course, the ultimate goal for some is to become a licensed lawyer.



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Teen gives visually impaired new lens

DIGITAL APPS

Goal to make tasks such as reading food labels easier

A Toronto teen is hoping to change the lives of visually impaired people around the world with a new app that can identify virtually any object with the quick tap of an iPhone or iPad.

Anmol Tukrel, a 17-year-old Grade 12 student at Holy Trinity School in Richmond Hill, has always been fascinated with technology, particularly artificial intelligence. By the time he was in Grade 7, he was already teaching himself how to code.

Growing up, Tukrel often travelled to Pena, India to visit his aunt who worked at the K K Eye Institute, a hospital dedicated to providing eye care for people who can't afford it. That experience, combined with an internship at a startup that uses computer vision to make products for advertising firms, led him to the perfect idea for a Canada-wide Science Fair project.

"I thought I could use computer vision for a more humanitarian use, and help visually impaired people," he said.

Tukrel's iPhone app, iDenti, allows users to take a photo of virtually any object, and then describes that item in great detail back to the user.

People can also take photos of text and have it read back to them, in one of 27 languages. Tukrel hopes it makes everyday tasks — like picking out the can of pop you want — easier for people who are visually impaired.

Jason Fayre, the head of accessibility and assistive technology at the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, tested out the app and, although there are similar

apps on the market, gave it a rave review.

"I'm extremely impressed, especially that it was written by a Grade 12 person," he said.

As a visually impaired person himself, Fayre said iDenti would make his life easier when trying to identify things in the kitchen.

"If I don't know what a particular can of something is, being able to take a picture and have that information read back to me in great detail is very useful," he said.

It took Tukrel more than



Grade 12 student Anmol Tukrel. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Anmol Tukrel

a year to develop the app, a process that involved months of painstaking research and enough code to fill a two-inch binder.

He had initially planned on making his own convo-

lutional neural network — computer speak for the data structure used to make a program that recognizes objects. Eventually, he opted to integrate existing programs.

Tukrel casually speaks about computer vision, convolutional neural networks, and application program interfaces as though he were a university graduate of computer science — not an about-to-graduate high schooler.

"I've always liked technology, but as much as I like playing video games and using different apps, I wanted to be able to make them myself," Tukrel said.

For Tukrel, the work doesn't stop now that the science fair is over.

He has already met with various organizations to get feedback on the app, and plans on making tweaks to improve the user experience. So far, the app has been downloaded by several thousand people and is being used in 60 countries. And, it's free, something Tukrel doesn't plan on changing.

"I want people who are visually impaired to use it without thinking of the financial consequences of doing so," he said. "We have such great technology and I think it's important that everyone has access to it."

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HOW IT WORKS

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JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

Dream of being the boss leads to waiving of rights

THE SHOW: Pencils Down! (iTunes, VOD)
THE MOMENT: The present-day echo

Screenwriters and other members of the Hollywood community address the camera in this doc about the 2007 writers' strike.

In a show of solidarity, members of the Writers Guild of America — the screenwriters' union

— and the people who supported them walked picket lines for 100 days, fighting for residuals for work that ran online (streaming was then brand new).

It wasn't exactly a triumph, but it was a triumph for unionism. This doc contends that the idea of unions has been tarnished, and that's a shame.

"The larger problem is a loss of community in the U.S.," says

writer John Bowman. "The libertarian philosophy — every man for himself — has grabbed hold. We all admire a successful CEO. That's a great dream.

But the practical reality is, there's only one of them, and there are 200,000 people working for him, who are most likely going to stay one of 200,000."

"If you are not taking care of the average worker, you create

an unstable environment," agrees writer Peter Hankoff.

Every historical film, fiction or non, has to have relevance in the time it's released. This one's relevance to the just-concluded U.S. election could not be clearer if the doc makers had scripted it.

Though it may be difficult to think of screenwriting as hard labour, the liberal media here points out a perplexing truth:

People's dreams of being the boss lead them to forego their rights as workers. Call it ignorance or naïve hope, but as Trump's 60 million supporters so soundly demonstrated, it's powerful.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.



Writer, comedian and actress Tina Fey on Writers Guild of America picket line.

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5 THINGS WE LEARNED FROM THE WEEKND'S STARBOY

Canadian R&B mysterious The Weeknd, born Abel Tesfaye, has been teasing listeners for months with a short film and a trickle of songs to whet fans' appetites. Here are a five things to know about his Starboy project, released on Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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1 Hemay beshading Drake:

Rumours of a rift between The Weeknd and old friend Drake have circulated for years without much evidence. The two knew each other when Tesfaye was getting his career off the ground, but after numerous collaborations on Drake's albums the two appeared to go their separate ways. That's left fans wondering if a line in Sidewalks is a direct shot at the Hotline Bling performer: "Too many people think they made me. Well if they really made me then replace me." Then again, that could also describe a lot of record executives.



2 He's still sombre:

Yes, several tracks are certain to ignite dance floors, but Tesfaye hasn't lost his touch for the debauchery and depressing lyrics that shaped his early career. One of his darkest songs yet, Ordinary Life, has the singer (or the Starboy character?) coming to terms with fortune and fame — and how the lifestyle might destroy him. Telling the story of a suicidal sexual encounter behind the wheel of his car, he sings: "Like I'm James Dean, I'mma die when I'm young."



GETTY IMAGES

3 This isn't the end:

Beyond a global tour set to kick off in the new year, the Weeknd promises more from his Starboy alter-ego. In the interview with Apple Music DJ Zane Lowe, which aired Thursday night, he said a Starboy comic book is in the works and he'd like to pitch it to Marvel or DC Comics.



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4 It's star-powered:

Not like The Weeknd needed marquee performers to give his latest album traction, but there's plenty of them here anyway. Robotic duo Daft Punk lend their hands to the opening and closing tracks (lead single Starboy and the funky I Feel It Coming), while Lana Del Rey drifts through the fleeting Stargirl Interlude. Others making appearances include rapper Future (All I Know) and Kendrick Lamar (Sidewalks).

5 Retro sounds are in:

While he doesn't pick a particular decade, a couple songs are fused with the spirit of Throwback Thursday. The funky Secrets borrows from the chorus of the Romantics' 1984 rock hit Talking in Your Sleep and fuses it with a sample of Pale Shelter, a 1982 track from Tears for Fears (pictured). The bootyslacker Rockin' carries a bouncy beat that would fit perfectly in an early 1990s house mix.



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Coyotes control Oilers

NHL

Arizona owns matchup, winning 21 of last 25 games

It's been more than 30 years since one team has had the number of their opposition to the degree that the Arizona Coyotes do over the Edmonton Oilers.

Jamie McGinn scored the winner late in the third period as the Coyotes continued their dominance of the Oilers with a 2-1 victory on Sunday.

Arizona is 21-0-4 against Edmonton in the last 25 meetings between the two teams, the longest stretch since the Philadelphia Flyers went 32 games in a row without giving up a regulation loss to the Los Angeles Kings.

Coyotes goalie Mike Smith said he is hard pressed to explain the lengthy streak, as well as his own 15-1-1 record lifetime against the Oilers.

"I can't, I just can't," he said. "It's a team that we have had some success against, but I feel it is a little bit different of a team now than the one we have had so much success against in the past. It was definitely a challenging win for us."

Radim Vrbata also scored for the Coyotes (8-10-2), who have



The Coyotes' Shane Doan checks Oilers defenceman Kris Russell on Sunday at Rogers Place.

JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

won three of their past four games.

Arizona head coach Dave Tippett said he feels his team is finally starting to find its form after a tough road trip to start the season put them in a hole.

"We are 6-4-2 in our last 12 games," he said. "We have a lot of young players and new players and we knew it was going to take some time to get our group

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together and we are moving in the right direction."

Milan Lucic replied for the Oilers (12-9-2), who also lost

to the Coyotes on Friday in a shootout.

"We forced them to defend all game long," said Oilers captain Connor McDavid. "If that (first) goal doesn't go in, it's a little bit of a different game. Ultimately we did a good job battling back and giving up that late goal is frustrating, but I don't think a lot of guys are too worried about it. Obviously those are

big points against divisional teams that we cost ourselves, but it's a long year and we get to see them three more times."

Smith made 41 saves for the win in net as Cam Talbot turned aside 21 of 23 shots in defeat.

Edmonton controlled the bulk of the play in the early running, but it was Arizona which struck first with four minutes left in the first period. Vrbata took a no-look shot from the corner that bounced off Oilers defender Kris Russell and past Talbot into the Edmonton net.

The Oilers outshot the Coyotes 13-6 in the first.

A short-handed break by Edmonton's Mark Letestu late in the second followed by defender Adam Larrson blocking a shot that was headed for the back of the Oilers net were the highlights of a scoreless period.

Edmonton finally got on the board with 9:21 remaining in the third period after a long point shot by McDavid was tipped by Lucic in front of the net for his seventh of the season.

The Coyotes retook the lead with 3:44 remaining as McGinn was left all alone in front and beat Talbot stick-side to make it 2-1.

Both teams return to action on Tuesday, as the Oilers play host to the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Coyotes travel to San Jose.

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NHL IN BRIEF

Hellebuyck on the money in Jets' shutout of Preds

Connor Hellebuyck made 42 saves and Drew Stafford scored his first goal of the season Sunday afternoon in Winnipeg as the Jets ended a five-game losing skid with a 3-0 victory over the Nashville Predators.

Mark Scheifele and Adam Lowry added empty-net goals for the Jets (10-12-2), who extended their home winning streak to four. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sens blank Rangers

Craig Anderson made 32 saves for his third shutout of the season and the Ottawa Senators beat the Rangers 2-0 on Sunday night in New York for their fourth straight victory.

Jean-Gabriel Pageau and Zach Smith scored in the second period.

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Flyers' Stolarz gets first NHL victory under his belt

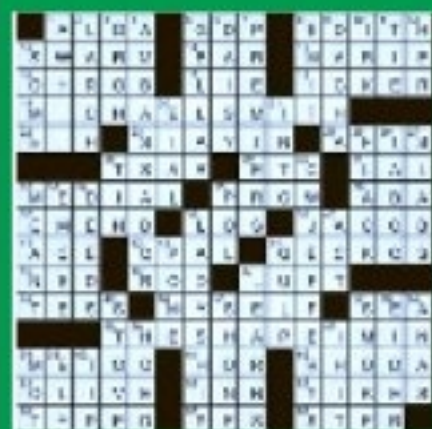
Anthony Stolarz made 29 saves for his first NHL victory in the Philadelphia Flyers' 5-3 win over the Calgary Flames on Sunday night.

Stolarz also became the first New Jersey native to appear in goal in an NHL game. The 22-year-old was born in Edison, about 60 miles northeast of Philadelphia.

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Ottawa wins OT stunner

2016 GREY CUP

Burris leads underdogs to first franchise championship

Henry Burris's 18-yard TD strike to Ernest Jackson earned the Ottawa Redblacks an epic 39-33 overtime Grey Cup win over the Calgary Stampeders on Sunday night.

Burris, the game MVP, found Jackson — who bobbled the pass — on the first overtime possession. But the veteran quarterback couldn't hit a wide-open Khalil Paden for the two-point convert.

Calgary needed to match Ottawa's six points but went three-and-out on its possession. Bo Levi Mitchell's third-down pass went off Bakari Grant's hands to give Ottawa one of the biggest upset victories in Grey Cup history.

Burris was stellar, throwing three TD passes and running for two more.

"There was almost a situation where I wasn't able to play today. My knee locked up on me before the game; I mean I wouldn't have been able to



The Redblacks' Ernest Jackson enters the end zone for the winning touchdown in overtime Sunday night in Toronto. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

accept that," Burris said after receiving his MVP award.

"But you know what? For all those haters out there, their organizations haven't won a Grey Cup in decades, but ours, in three years, here we are, Grey Cup champions."

It was the third game in Grey Cup history to go to overtime. Rene Paredes' 10-yard field

In three years, here we are, Grey Cup champions.

Henry Burris

goal with nine seconds remaining forced overtime as Calgary impressively rallied from a 27-7

third-quarter deficit.

DaVaris Daniels scored on a 19-yard TD run on third-and-two at 13:22 of the fourth to cut Ottawa's lead to 33-30 before Glenn Love recovered Rob Maver's on-side kick at Calgary's 49-yard line with 1:36 remaining.

Burris opened the third hitting Brad Sinopoli, the game's top Canadian, on a nine-yard

104TH GREY CUP



Henry Burris was named game MVP. THE CANADIAN PRESS

TD strike at 3:21 to cap a 69-yard, six-play drive. But after a Paredes 32-yard field goal at 7:40, Mitchell hit Lemar Durant on a 34-yard TD strike at 11:01, cutting Ottawa's lead to 27-17.

Then Andrew Buckley's one-yard TD run at 1:25 of the fourth pulled Calgary to within 27-23 as Paredes missed the convert. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Like father, like son: Rosberg F1 champion

Nico Rosberg will no longer be known simply as the son of Formula One champion Keke Rosberg.

The German driver is now a champion in his own right after clinching his first title on Sunday to match his father's achievement from 1982.

"Two Rosbergs are world champions ... if I've got my statistics right," Nico Rosberg joked after clinching the title.

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Argentina wins Davis Cup

Argentina won its first Davis Cup title on Sunday when Federico Delbonis swept past Ivo Karlovic in straight sets to complete a 3-2 comeback win over Croatia.

Delbonis dropped to the ground after his 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 victory. His teammates fell into each other's arms and celebrated in front of thousands of Argentine fans in the packed Arena Zagreb.

Argentina was playing in its fifth final since 1981.

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Man United's winless streak grows to four

Hired to revitalize Manchester United, Jose Mourinho is instead turning the clock back and losing his temper in public.

A 1-1 draw with West Ham on Sunday left United 11 points behind leader Chelsea and without a win in four league matches at Old Trafford for the first time since 1990.

That dry home spell came toward the end of a 26-year title drought which ended in 1993 with Alex Ferguson collecting the Premier League trophy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Denmark emerges on top in golf's World Cup

Denmark fought off a three-pronged attack Sunday to win golf's World Cup at Kingston Heath in Melbourne, Australia.

Soren Kjeldsen and Thorbjorn Olesen held their nerve after a four-shot overnight lead was threatened by China, France and Sweden. The pair combined superbly in the best-ball format for a closing 6-under 66 to finish on 20-under 268, four shots clear of France (63), China (65) and the United States (66) in a three-way tie for second. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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NFL

Brady leads Pats in his 200th NFL win

Tom Brady was hobbled, yet efficient as ever with the game on the line and time on the clock.

Playing with an ailing knee, Brady tied Peyton Manning for most wins by a quarterback in NFL history, getting his 200th by throwing a go-ahead 8-yard touchdown pass to Malcolm Mitchell with 1:56 left, leading the New England Patriots to a 22-17 victory over the New York Jets on Sunday.

It was the 50th time Brady has led a Patriots win while facing a fourth-quarter deficit or tie.

"The quarterback's job is to win," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said. "He's won a lot. That's good. I'm glad he's our quarterback."

Trailing 17-16 with 5:04 left and the ball on the Patriots 17, Brady led a solid drive by completing six passes.

After James White stretched for four yards on fourth-and-4, a 25-yard catch by Chris Hogan put the ball at the 8. Brady then zipped a pass to Mitchell to put the Patriots (9-2) ahead.



Tom Brady
GETTY IMAGES

"We didn't play as well as we wanted to," Brady said, "but we made the plays when we needed to."

A two-point conversion try by White was initially ruled good, but reversed on replay because the ball never crossed the goal line — giving the Jets (3-8) a final chance.

But Chris Long hit Ryan Fitzpatrick before he could throw, resulting in a fumble recovered by Trey Flowers.

The Patriots then ran out the clock to win the closely played game that had been flexed out of a prime-time spot.

The teams have had a final margin of seven points or fewer in each of their last seven meetings.

Patriots fans loudly chanted "Brady! Brady!" in the final moments at MetLife Stadium, which had lots of empty seats as frustrated Jets fans apparently stayed home.

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

You'll love this spin on a classic.

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Prep time: 30 minutes
Cook time: 40 minutes
Serves 4

Ingredients

- 1 onion, chopped fine
- olive oil
- 2 or 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1/4 tsp nutmeg
- pinch of cinnamon
- pinch of chili flakes
- 1 tsp salt
- 1x28 oz. cans of plum tomatoes
- good splash of red wine vinegar
- 1/2 tsp pepper
- 1/2 cup panko or bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan
- 1 egg
- 1/2 lemon's worth of zest
- 1 lb. ground beef

Directions

1. Sauté onion in a glug of olive oil

for 4 minutes. Add garlic, nutmeg, cinnamon, chili, salt and pepper. Cook for a couple more minutes.

2. Take half the onion and garlic mixture and put it in a large bowl. Add tomatoes and red wine vinegar to remaining onions in pan and simmer.

3. To onion mixture in bowl, add panko, grated Parmesan, egg, lemon zest, and meat. Combine and form into 1-inch balls.

4. Put pot of water on to boil for your pasta.

5. In a separate pan, cook meatballs over a medium heat until browned and cooked through. You'll probably have to do it in two batches. Add them to the sauce and continue to let simmer

6. Cook your pasta to al dente and serve.

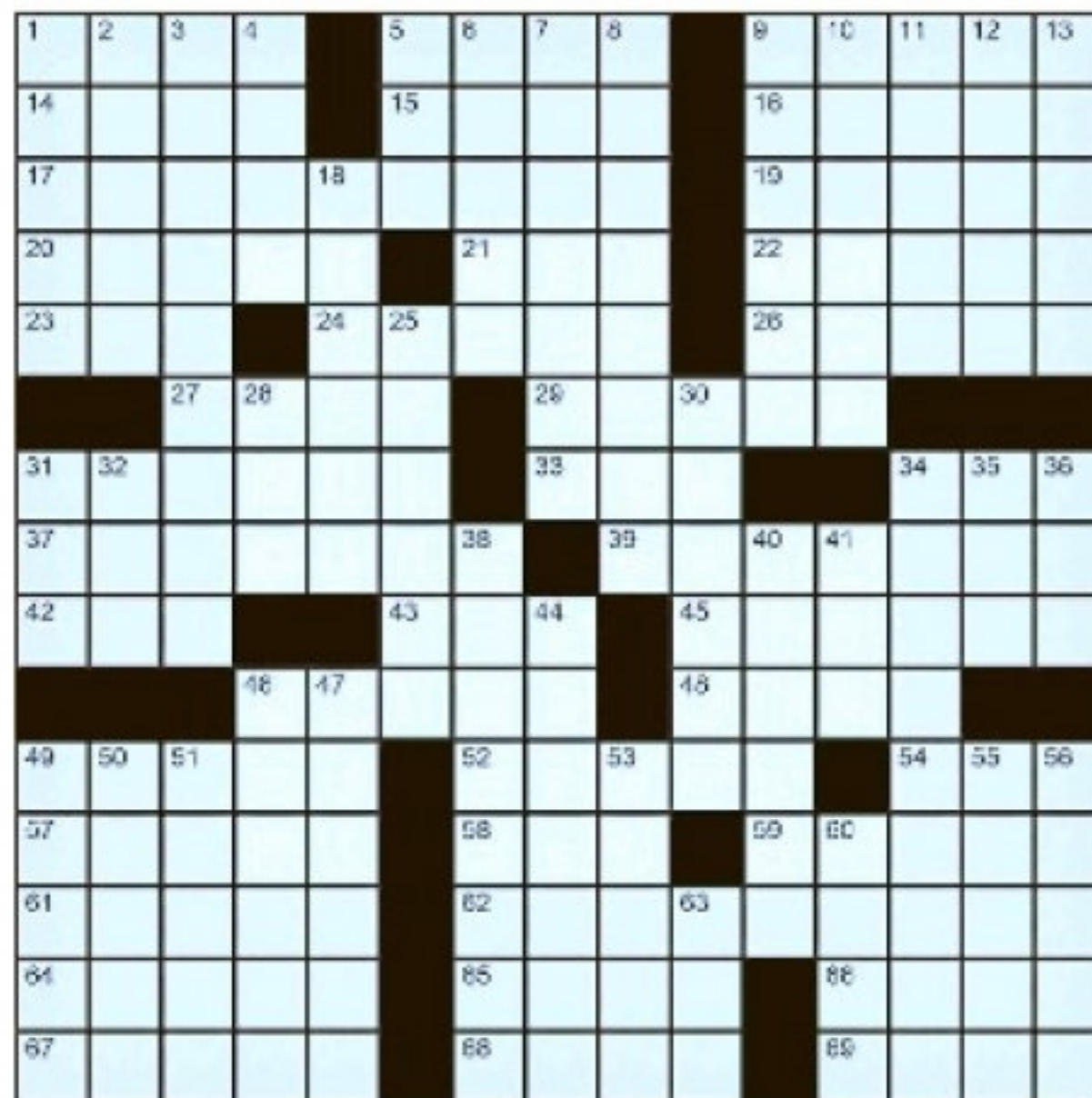
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ACROSS

1. Eugene O'Neill play, _ Christie
5. Kitchen amt.
9. "Beau _" (1939)
14. 1970s fad, _ rings
15. Harp, in Italy
16. Like bits of porridge
17. Energy company headquartered in Saint John, New Brunswick: 2 wds.
19. Pedestal
20. Express
21. Alias acronym
22. Gumption
23. "Hush,"
24. Accountant's review
26. Vexed
27. Pull in pay
29. Brisk as a late Fall day
31. Comic actor David, and surnamesakes
33. Long-snouted fish
34. Tavern
37. 'Musical' membrane?
39. Salad staple
42. AC/DC song
43. Sales pro
45. The space under a leafy tree on a sunny day
46. Bleak, in poetry
48. Trudged
49. The _ Stooges
52. Cereal brand, _ Puffs
54. "Uh-huh!"
57. Carriers of blood
58. Friend of Canada, e.g.
59. Sugar: French
61. Beatles: "Sexy _"
62. Northeastern Ontario town, home of the Ontario Loggers Hall of Fame



64. Women's tennis great Chris

68. Billy Ray Cyrus' " _ Breaky Heart"
69. Seven, in Portugal

DOWN

1. Haywire
2. " _ Country" (2005) starring Charlize Theron

3. Song by Canadian band Spoons that starts "Architects of the world / I walk your streets and live in your towns...": 2 wds.

6. Wide ranging
7. Touchdown getter's celebratory move in the end zone with the football
8. Grand, like Versailles
9. " _ Girl" (Blake Lively show)
10. Menu estab-

lishment
11. Filled the air like sardines
12. Uptight
13. Wrapped up
18. More with-in reach
25. Not certain
28. Contribute
30. "There you have it!"
31. Established
32. Pot's kitchen pal
34. Martini-glass-holding character for Scott Thompson on "The Kids in the Hall": 2 wds.
35. Genius
36. Corrector's pen choice
38. "I'm sorry": 2 wds.
40. Be a caught shark, do this
41. Spiritual 'way'
44. Commonplace
46. Movie great Robert: 2 wds.
47. Puts back to zero
49. RCA product: 2 wds.
50. Bad guy, in a movie
51. "Easy _" (1969)
53. Fisherman's count
55. Word on a Quebec stop sign
56. Pruned property partition
60. Lil' Martian crafts
63. Coral reef

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
It's important to grab every opportunity to expand your horizons. Travel or learn new things, because this is what will please you the most right now.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Take care of loose details related to red-tape matters like insurance issues, inheritances, taxes, debt and shared property. Don't let these loose ends nag you.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Remember to get more sleep, because the Sun is opposite your sign at this time of year. You definitely need more rest. That's the way it works.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Do whatever you can to feel better organized. Tidy up loose ends both at home and work, because this will make you feel mentally and emotionally stronger.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a playful time of year for you. Enjoy fun activities with children, the arts, social outings, sports events and any chance to express your own creative talents.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
It's most appropriate that you focus on home, family and your private life at this time. Home repairs plus interactions with relatives, especially parents, are important.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You have a strong desire to enlighten others about something. You want to write, talk and express your ideas in any way that you can. Fortunately, others will listen.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
As you think about money, cash flow and earnings at this time, basically, you are dealing with your values. It's important to know what really matters in life.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
This is your chance to replenish yourself for the rest of the year. Talk to others and ask for what you want and what you need. Resources will come to you now.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Use this time to plan ahead for your new year (birthday to birthday). If you set goals, especially with deadlines, you are more likely to achieve what you want.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Share your hopes and dreams for the future with someone today, because his or her feedback will help you. Someone younger might have ideas that you admire.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Because you look favourable in the eyes of bosses, parents, teachers and VIPs at this time, make your move! Push your own agenda forward, because you will get what you want.

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